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Attached is the Supplemental Examiner's Answer correcting the numbering of the claims.

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### **SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ruby Jain (Attorney Docket No. 02860.0698-00000) on 01/29/2007.
3. The application has been amended as follows:
4. **Claim 42** "The apparatus of claim 29" should be – The apparatus of claim 1 --;
5. **Claim 48** "The apparatus of claim 29" should be – The apparatus of claim 1 --;

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vu B. Hang whose telephone number is (571) 272-0582. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 9:00am - 6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Twyler M. Lamb can be reached on (571) 272-7406. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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